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SUBJECT: FACILITATIVE ASSISTANCE

1. TWO SWEDISH JOURNALISTS, LENA ANDERSON AND JAN OJMERTZ (A MARRIED COUPLE), FROM MODERATE MORNING DAILY BORAS TIDNING (CIRCULATION 60,000) WILL VISIT THE U.S. OCTOBER 13 - NOVEMBER 26. SHE IS A REPORTER, HE IS MANAGING EDITOR.

2. MRS. ANDERSON HAS RECEIVED GRANTS TO STUDY: (A) PROBLEMS RELATED TO THE STATUS OF WOMEN IN THE PRESENT DAY U.S.;
(B) THEATER IN THE U.S

3. MR. OJMERTZ WILL COVER U.S. LOCAL AND REGIONAL ELECTIONS.

4. THEIR ITINERARY IS AS FOLLOWS:

- A) OCT. 13-19, HARRISBURG, PA.; NATIONWIDE INN, 525 SOUTH FRONT.
- B) OCT. 21-27 WASHINGTON, D.C.; STATLER HILTON
- C) OCT. 28-NOV. 3, NEW YORK CITY; HOTEL EDISON, 47TH ST. WEST.
- D) NOV. 8-10, HOUSTON, SHERATON HOUSTON, 777 POLK AVE.
- E) NOV. 15-20, SAN FRANCISCO, SHERATON FISHERMAN'S WHARF, 2500 MASON ST.
- F) NOV. 23-26, LOS ANGELES, SHERATON WEST, 2961 WILSHIRE BLVD.

5. THEY WOULD APPRECIATE FACILITATIVE ASSISTANCE FOR APPOINT-
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MENTS WITH PEOPLE IN THE FOLLOWING CITIES:

A) HARRISBURG, PENN: MRS. ANDERSON WOULD LIKE TO MEET WOMEN IN ALL WALKS OF LIFE WHO CAN TELL HER ABOUT WOMEN'S SITUATION, I.E. HOW WOMEN LIVE AND WORK IN A CITY OF THIS SIZE, JOB OPPORTUNITIES, CHILDREN'S CARE, UNION AND POLITICAL ACTIVITIES WOMEN'S LIB, ETC.

MR. OJMERTZ WILL COVER ELECTIONS WITH EMPHASIS ON LOCAL LEVEL IMPLICATIONS, I.E. HOW THE ELECTIONS AFFECT POLITICAL APPOINTMENTS FOR VARIOUS POSITIONS AND HOW THIS IN TURN AFFECTS THE DEMOCRATIC PROCESS LOCALLY, THE VITALITY OF THE POLITICAL LIFE ON THE LOCAL LEVEL AND HOW THE ELECTIONS AND THE POLITICAL CAMPAIGNS ARE RUN. MR. OJMERTZ WANTS TO MEET PEOPLE IN THE LOCAL PARTY ORGANIZATIONS AND CANDIDATES FROM EACH PARTY. HE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO SEE A POLITICAL SCIENTIST TO DISCUSS THESE ISSUES.

B) WASHINGTON, D.C.: MRS. ANDERSON WANTS TO MEET ERA SPOKESPERSON REGARDING THE PROGRESS OF THE AMENDMENT AND ITS IMPLICATIONS. SHE ALSO WANTS TO MEET AN OPPOSITION SPOKESPERSON.

C) NEW YORK CITY: MRS. ANDERSON WANTS TO MEET WOMEN'S LIB REPRESENTATIVES FOR BRIEFING ON CURRENT MAJOR ISSUES AND TRENDS WITHIN THE MOVEMENT.

D) SAN FRANCISCO: MRS. ANDERSON WANTS TO MEET WOMEN'S LIB REPRESENTATIVES PLUS THEATER PEOPLE WORKING BOTH LOCALLY AND REGIONALLY, (E.G. TOURING THEATERS). SHE WANTS TO STUDY ARTISTIC AND CREATIVE WORK, SELECTION OF PLAYS AS WELL AS THE ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE OF THE REGIONAL THEATERS. DO THEY SERVE PEOPLE IN SMALL REMOTE CITIES? WHAT OTHER KINDS OF CULTURAL ACTIVITIES ARE THE PEOPLE OFFERED? HOW DOES A SMALL CULTURALLY AMBITIOUS THEATER MAKE IT COMPETING AGAINST THE LARGER "COMMERCIAL" CULTURE? IN WHAT WAYS DOES SOCIETY SUPPORT OR SUBSIDIZE CULTURAL EFFORTS? MRS. ANDERSON WOULD LIKE TO SEE BOTH THEATER PEOPLE AND PEOPLE RESPONSIBLE FOR CULTURAL AFFAIRS WITHIN THE STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS.

6. IF POSSIBLE, MRS. ANDERSON WOULD ALSO LIKE TO INTERVIEW CONGRESS-WOMAN BARBARA JORDAN IN HOUSTON OR WASHINGTON, D.C. AND/OR CONGRESS-WOMAN BELLA ABZUG IN NEW YORK OR WASHINGTON, D.C. AS REPRESENTATIVES FOR POLITICALLY ACTIVE WOMEN.

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7. MR. OJMERTZ WOULD ALSO LIKE TO VISIT A MORNING NEWSPAPER (CIRCULATION APPROX. 100,000) WHICH HAS A TECHNICALLY ADVANCED PRODUCTION TECHNIQUE IN PENNSYLVANIA OR THE WEST COAST.

8. BIO DATA: MRS. ANDERS

FULL NAME: LENA MARIA ANDERSON

PLACE AND DATE OF BOTH: BORAS, SWEDEN, [Sensitive Information Removed Per NARA 15 AUG 2013]

PRESENT POSITION: REPORTER AT BORAS TIDNING
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CITIZENSHIP: SWEDISH
ACADEMIC TRAINING: SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM, STUDIES IN POLITICAL
SCIENCE, SOCIOLOGY
POSITIONS HELD: JOURNALIST SINCE 1966, SINCE 1969
WITH BORAS TIDNING
GRAVELS ABROAD: THE U.S. 1963-64, SEVERAL EUROPEAN COUNTRIES
AS A TOURIST. THE U.K. AND FINLAND AS A WORKING
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KNOWLEDGE OF ENGLISH: EXCELLENT

BIO DATA: MR. OJMERTZ
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PLACE AND DATE OF BIRTH: BORAS, SWEDEN, [Sensitive Information Removed Per NARA 15 AUG 2013]
PRESENT POSITION: MANAGING EDITOR AT BORAS TIDNING
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